Amendment No. 2 to HB2372

<u>DeBerry J</u> Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Bill No. 2341

House Bill No. 2372*

by deleting Section 1 of the bill in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-1-111(r)(1)(A), is amended by redesignating current subdivision (r)(1)(A) as subdivision (r)(1)(A)(i) and adding the following language as a new subdivision (r)(1)(A)(ii):

(ii) If, after determining the surrender to be in the child's best interest, the department accepts a surrender of a child, who was previously placed for adoption by the department, from the child's adoptive parent or parents, the unrevoked surrender of such child may terminate the responsibilities of the surrendering adoptive parent or parents for future child support or other future financial responsibilities; provided, that this shall not be construed to eliminate the responsibility of such parent or parents for past child support arrearages or other financial obligations incurred for the care of such child prior to the execution of the surrender, and provided further, that the court may, with the consent of the parent or parents, restore such rights and responsibilities pursuant to § 36-1-118(d).